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Whereas, June 6, 2023, marks the 7th anniversary of National Secure Your Load Day; and

Whereas, flying and fallen debris can cause property damage, traffic crashes and even fatalities; and

Whereas, nationally 739 deaths, 17,367 injuries, and 89,915 crashes, occurred due to road debris in 2019; and

Whereas, 18 motorists were killed in unsecured load-related crashes in the past three years on Oklahoma roads, and in 2022 alone, nearly 528 load securement violations were detected, 117 Oklahoma roadside citations and 117 fines were issued; and

Whereas, in 2022, nearly four million pounds of trash were picked up by volunteers during the Keep Oklahoma Beautiful Great American Cleanup and ODOT's TRASH-OFF, which is in addition to the \$6 million spent annually by ODOT and OTA combined to clean highways of debris and litter; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of all drivers to be thorough in securing their loads to help ensure the safety of citizens and visitors traveling on Oklahoma roads;

Row Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim June 6 - 12, 2023, as

"Secure Your Load Week"

in the State of Oklahoma

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Leaf of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this Hristy-first day of Moy, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty three, and of the State of Oklahoma in the ONE-hundred ONA FIRECORTH year:

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